



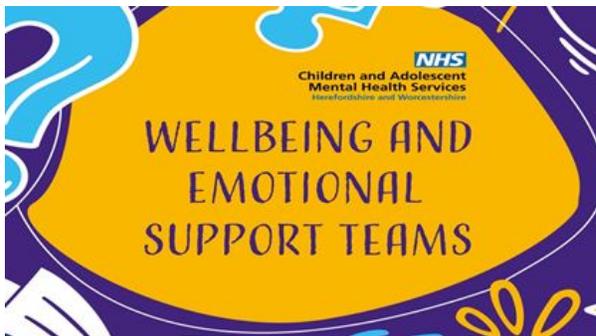
The Coppice Whole School Newsletter

Friday 20th March 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope that you have all had a good week and are looking forward to the weekend with your children. It's been lovely to finally have some warm sunshine and to see the lift in mood that it gives everyone. I can certainly say that the children have loved playing outside this week. As with every week at The Coppice, there is plenty of positive news to share with you all.

Introducing W.E.S.T. (Wellbeing and Emotional Support Team):



Lisa



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As a Thrive school, we are passionate about ensuring that all of our pupils are supported socially and emotionally. Therefore, we are always looking for additional ways to be able to do this. This is why we have engaged with and secured the services of an NHS Education and Mental Health Practitioner called Lisa, who has written to you to introduce herself:

Hello everyone. I am Lisa and I'm currently a trainee education mental health practitioner (EMHP) and I work with the NHS Wellbeing and Emotional Support Team. I am supported by a Senior Mental Health Practitioner who is also called Lisa! We are both delighted to be supporting The Coppice Primary school.

Our NHS service aims to support young children aged 5- 18 years with low level mental health concerns such as anxiety, low mood and some behavioural difficulties. Interventions are usually delivered 1:1 in school or directly with Parents/Carers. We will also be in school delivering some workshops to groups of children, Parents/Carers and school staff. We both look forward to meeting you soon!

W.E.S.T. will begin working with our school for half-a-day a week during the first half of the Summer term and beyond and we are already thinking about which of our pupils and families may benefit from this support. Should your child be identified as one of these children, please do not worry. This is purely a supportive and collaborative approach to support your child and is not about judgement. Between us all, we just want to help your child with any difficulties that they may be experiencing.

If you feel your child would benefit from this support please discuss this with your child's class teacher, Mr. McGarry or Mr. Hutt. Please be aware though that support will be identified on a priority needs basis. However, our aim will always be to support as many children as possible.

Please visit the link address below for further information or use the QR code opposite:

<https://camhs.hacw.nhs.uk/west/>




WELLBEING AND EMOTIONAL SUPPORT TEAMS

Come and join us for an informal chat:

Coffee Morning

Please join us to discover more about the WEST team and what support we offer.

Please let school know if you have any accessibility needs.

Where: The Coppice Primary School

When: Thursday 30th April 9am-10am

Find out what WEST has to offer:

www.camhs.hacw.nhs.uk/west
whcnhs.mhtis-camhs@nhs.net



As you can see opposite, on the 30th April, we have our Parent and Carer launch event, in the form of a coffee morning.

This will take place in our Junior Hall and it would be great to see you!

Everyone is welcome!

Coppice Gymnasts Shine Bright!

This Tuesday saw the last of our internal School Gym Club Competitions with our older recreational gymnasts proving what persistence and practice can produce. Competing in front of Parents, Carers and judges they faced the pressure and demonstrated high level vaulting and floor skills.

Bravely performing their vault and floor routines, individually in front of judges and many Parents & Carers, our gymnasts showed true Coppice determination and wowed their audience with the level of their skills. We are so proud of each and every one and we are very grateful to all the coaches and staff members who have helped them along the way. Thank you to Mrs. Waterson, Mrs Wright, Nicole, Alana, Dougie, George and Layla.



Also pictured above are two of our Year 6 pupils: Daria and Sienna, both from 6C, who both received dedication awards at the end of the competition for the passion and commitment that they have shown to school gymnastics during their time with us. Both of these girls are an absolute credit to themselves and to our school and we are very proud of both of them. In addition, Sienna came first overall in the floor and vault competition and Daria came second - a great achievement! Well done girls!

Mandarin New Year celebrations

Over the past few weeks, our Mandarin learners have been immersed in the traditions and customs of Chinese New Year. They have discovered that 2026 marks the Year of the Horse, a symbol of energy and perseverance, and explored the meaning behind festive practices such as enjoying fish for prosperity and exchanging red envelopes filled with money as tokens of good fortune. The children have demonstrated curiosity and enthusiasm throughout these activities.

In our most recent Zoom exchange with our partner school in China, our pupils performed a traditional New Year's song with confidence and proudly shared a beautiful poster with their Chinese friends. Congratulations to all the children involved. You made your teachers very proud. Mr. Hutt loved your performance for him too - it was amazing girls!



Isla, Poppy, Gracie, Mrs. Abbotts, Amelia and Millie (all Year 6) proudly displaying their poster

Coppice Athletes do our school proud!

On Friday 13th March, Mrs Bell, Mrs Wright and Mr Edwards took 15 boys and 15 girls to the Year 5 and Year 6 indoor athletics competition at RSA Arrowvale, Redditch. The children competed in six track events and six field events. Over the course of the morning, the girls did really, really well, coming back with high scores but unfortunately it was not enough to qualify for the county championships. The girls presented themselves with pride and we were very proud of them.

In the afternoon, it was the boys' turn. They competed in the same events coming back with high scores too but this time, the boys managed to get 122 points to secure a win which means they have qualified for the School Games final next month. A fantastic well done to all competitors across Year 5 and Year 6 girls and boys. Thank you to Mr Edwards, as ever, for his coaching sessions and driving us to competitions! We wouldn't be able to do this without him!!



ECO Team carry out a litter pick and share a reminder!

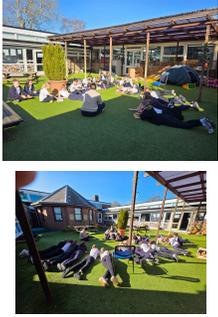
On Monday, the Eco Ambassadors joined Mrs Lennon, Mr Ruffles, and Mrs Douglas for a litter pick around the school grounds. Despite the wet weather, the children were enthusiastic and eager to help. Although Mr Mace works hard to keep the area tidy each day, we collected a considerable amount of rubbish.

We are very proud of our Eco Team for their efforts in keeping our school environment clean. They would like to remind everyone—both children and Parents/Carers—to please put all litter in the bins provided. We are also hoping to work alongside our local litter-picking group, "Rubbish Friends," to organise a community litter pick in the near future. Please keep an eye on the app for further details on how to get involved. Thank you for your ongoing support in helping us look after our school and the environment.



Year 6 reading in the sunshine!

With the warm weather and blue skies this week, it was wonderful to see 6D outside in our beautiful Quad area enjoying a story with their teacher Miss. Danby. The children were calm, relaxed and thoroughly engrossed - a joy to see!



Celebration Time

Rap duo want to encourage learning!



I was wowed by Zechariah and Cole from 6D on Wednesday when they came to share the 'Algebra' rap that they had created and produced. The boys are called 'Idea Ignites' and they are all about encouraging learning and making it fun! Even though they said that there were challenges along the way, they were rightly extremely proud of the presentation and rap they had created. You really impressed me boys and I can't wait for your future creations.

Cora shines in gymnastics competition!



A huge well done goes to Cora from 2T who came third out of sixty gymnasts for her Solihull 'Invert' Club at a competition in Stoke last weekend - an incredible achievement! She was also competing against 8 and 9 year olds. Her team also came second overall! Well done Cora!



Harrison stars in Matilda!

Mrs. Wright and Mrs. Buckley went to see Harrison, from their class (5W), star as Nigel in Matilda Juniors two Saturdays ago, and they were wowed.

They reported that he was incredible - genuinely like a young Hollywood star! We are super proud of you Harrison - maybe the Oscars beckon soon!

Star of the Week - Hot Chocolate



Attendance Figures

TOP ATTENDANCE 9th - 13th March (last week)

	2T	100%
	4TR	98.28%

TOP ATTENDANCE 16th - 20th March (this week)

	1T	98.62%
	6D	98.67%

Music Listening and Appreciation

This week's playlist was:

St Patrick's Day - 17th March

- 1) Traditional - She Moved Through the Fair (unknown)
- 2) Frederic Weatherly - Danny Boy (1913)
- 3) Traditional - John Ryan's Polka (unknown)
- 4) Thin Lizzy - Whisky in the Jar (1972)

Next week's playlist is:

Romantic Era

- 1) Saint Saëns: Cuckoo in the Woods (1886)
- 2) Brahms - Hungarian Dance No. 5 (1858)
- 3) Verdi - Requiem: Dies Irae (1874)
- 4) Alice Mary Smith - Symphony in C Minor (1863)

That just leaves me to wish you all an enjoyable weekend with your children. We especially want to wish all of our children and families who will be celebrating, a very happy Eid. We look forward to seeing all of the children, and you, bright and early on Monday morning.

Kind regards,

Mr.Hutt (Headteacher – The Coppice Primary School)